

be lightly glossed over on the theory that the Almighty is in parentheses.

I think you may act according to your conscience. If your conscience says you do not wish to say this, you do not have to say it. But if you do wish to say it, you may. And all that we say, and I say — and I know deep in my heart I am right — is that no constitutional provision will ever be set aside as being unconstitutional because you have this choice.

I am against the amendment.

THE PRESIDENT: Are you ready for the question?

For what purpose does Delegate Robey rise?

DELEGATE ROBEY: For a point of personal privilege, Mr. Chairman.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE ROBEY: Evidently by some oversight this entire row has not seen the important memorandum that we are talking about, and yet several references have been made to it in the course of this debate.

I would appeal for a few moments so we can see it. We have had some copies passed to us, but we have not had a chance to see it.

THE PRESIDENT: I assume the memo you are referring to is the one which was distributed some time ago?

DELEGATE BLAIR: It was distributed before noon.

DELEGATE ROBEY: We checked our desk, and I polled some of the members of this row, and we did not receive it.

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. Chairman.

THE PRESIDENT: Just a second, please.

Chief page.

For what purpose does Delegate Gleason rise?

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. Chairman, I do not need the memorandum. I would like to move the previous question.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair will recognize Delegate Scanlan, since he yielded the question only to permit Delegate Cardin to speak.

Wait just a minute and see if the pages can get additional copies of the memorandum.

For what purpose does Delegate Hutchinson rise?

DELEGATE HUTCHINSON: A point of personal privilege, Mr. Chairman.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE HUTCHINSON: This afternoon when we voted on the final approval of R&P-1, I walked out in the lobby to tell a couple of relatives good-bye. When you voted on that, the quorum bell was not rung. I did not have an opportunity to vote on R&P-1. I wonder if it would be possible to do so at this time, since we were in the midst of —

THE PRESIDENT: If you merely wish to indicate for the record the way in which you would have voted, had you been present, the Chair will permit it. The Chair will not permit you to vote after the vote has been recorded, because it could perhaps affect the result, and that cannot be permitted. You may state how you would have voted had you been here to vote.

DELEGATE HUTCHINSON: I would have voted Aye, I believe.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Robey, have you had the memorandum now?

DELEGATE ROBEY: We have the memorandum now. Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

The clerk will ring the quorum bell.

The question arises on the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to Committee Recommendation GP-2, as amended by Report S&D-4. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of Amendment No. 1. A vote No is a vote against.

Cast your vote.

Have all delegates voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 61 votes in the affirmative and 62 in the negative, the motion is lost. The amendment is rejected.

Delegate Sickles, does the Chair understand you now desire to offer your Amendment B?

DELEGATE SICKLES: I do, Mr. President.